BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 22, 2005

The Board of County Commissioners for Lewis County, Washington met in regular session on Monday, August 22, 2005; at 10:00 a.m. **COMMISSIONERS DENNIS HADALLER, ERIC JOHNSON** and **RICHARD GRAHAM** were in attendance. The meeting was called to order by **CHAIRMAN HADALLER** who determined a quorum and proceeded with the flag salute. **COMMISSIONER GRAHAM** moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held on Monday, August 15, 2005. **COMMISSIONER JOHNSON** seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Guenther, 376 Hwy 508 of Chehalis, stated he is in protest of the biosolids dumpsite located on Highway 508. He stated the smell has been perceptible all year long. He stated he would continue to work with the County on this issue. He acknowledged as he had been working with County officials over the past month, some of the smell had dissipated. He noted he has asked for a scientific analysis and a dump log for the lagoon. He stated during this last week, the operator of the biosolids site contacted him through a third party offering to buy his home. He stated it is not for sale and noted he would continue working on this issue.

PRESENTATION:

Chairman Hadaller announced a presentation by the Timberland Regional Library.

Jodi Reng, Director of the Timberland Regional Library (TRL), introduced Edna Fund, Corrine Akin, Judy Burns and Corrine Jones-Litteer, from the TRL. She stated she has provided an Executive Summary of the Timberland Regional Library's Strategic Plan as well as a complete copy. She stated the prime strategy is to respond to the communities. She hopes to plan each program, service, and collections with outcomes in mind. She stated they would form partnerships with members of the communities. She stated each January staff would measure the outcomes against the goals and make appropriate changes, always striving to make sure everything the TRL does is cost effective. She stated last year, during the library's community chats, they discovered that there are quite a few people in Lewis County that could not read easily in English. This year they will focus on family literacy. She mentioned several projects the library is involved with including, the Veterans History Project and the Timberland Reads Together Project. She spoke briefly about the advantages of using the TRL databases to search on-line. She read the Library's vision statement.

Commissioner Johnson thanked Ms. Reng for her presentation as well as other members of the TRL. He asked what the Library was doing regarding future facilities and how they could best deliver services.

Ms. Reng stated the Library Committee is currently working on a kiosk as a pilot project in Rochester. She explained it would require community partners, which would provide space and some minimal staffing for the kiosk. She explained the kiosk would allow people to request materials, pick them up, and return them all at the same location. She noted if the pilot project works, there could be other locations with this service. She stated the demand for service would drive the need for an actual facility.

NOTICE:

COMMISSIONER GRAHAM moved to approve Notice agenda items 1 and 2. **COMMISSIONER JOHNSON** seconded the motion.

1. PROCLAMATION: Declaring September as Weather Radio Awareness Month in Lewis County.

Karisa Duffey, Clerk of the Board, read the Proclamation aloud.

2. NOTICE OF HEARING: Regarding the adoption of the Lewis County Water District No. 2 General Sewer Plan Update, Lewis County Water District No. 5 General Sewer Plan and the Lewis County Water District No. 5 Comprehensive Water System Plan. Hearing will be held on Monday, September 12, 2005 at 10:30 a.m.

CONSENT:

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON moved to approve Consent agenda items 3 through 11. **COMMISSIONER GRAHAM** seconded the motion. Karisa Duffey, Clerk of the Board, read the items aloud.

- 3. Resolution #05-240 Extending the 4/10 work schedule for the Oiling Group in the Public Works Department through August 31, 2005.
- 4. Resolution #05-241 Approving the Small Works Roster for the period of September 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.
- 5. Resolution #05-242 Authorizing the Lewis County Public Works Department to act as the sponsor for a Washington State Department of Transportation Enhancement Grant on behalf of the Lewis County Historical Museum.
- 6. Resolution #05-243 Authorizing the Director of Public Works to sign grant applications for various projects.
- 7. Resolution #05-244 Approving a contract between Lewis County and the Washington State Military Department, Office of Homeland Security, for the purchase of public safety radio equipment in the amount of \$342,693.00.
- 8. Resolution #05-245 Approving the purchase of a Speed Monitoring Trailer in an amount not to exceed \$11,000.00 using grant funds received from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission.
- 9. Resolution #05-246 Cancellation of a municipal warrant in the amount of \$549.44.
- 10. Resolution #05-247 Approving an agreement between Lewis County and the Fire Mountain Arts Council for one-time funding in the amount of \$22,500.00 for the preservation of historic material.
- 11. Resolution #04-281 A Amending Resolution #04-281, all references to "grant applications" shall become "grants".

Chairman Hadaller asked for questions. There were none. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Hadaller recessed the meeting until Wednesday, August 24, 2005 for action on item 12.

MEETING CONT.:

12. Resolution #05-248 Approving a lease agreement between Lewis County and the City of Chehalis.

Chairman Hadaller called the meeting back to order at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 24, 2005. He announced the Board's purpose was to review and take action on a lease between the City of Chehalis and Lewis County. He asked for a staff report.

Larry Keeton, Chief of Staff, stated the sale of the Public Works Building to the City of Chehalis was scheduled to close on Thursday, August 25, 2005. He indicated this lease agreement would allow the County to remain in the building for nine months free of rent. He noted the County must provide the City proof of insurance for the building.

Commissioner Johnson asked about the additional termination provision. He noted the County could potentially be in the building for 24 months, however, the City could terminate the agreement at 12 months. He stated the situation would put the County in a bind if the City were to terminate. He asked for the purpose behind this provision.

- Mr. Keeton deferred to Mark Cook, Lewis County Public Works Director.
- **Mr. Cook** stated the discussion proved that a year would be the least amount of time the County would occupy the building.
- **Mr. Keeton** noted that the lease would allow the County to occupy the building for a minimum of 16 months due to the notification requirement.

Chairman Hadaller asked for further questions. There were none.

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON moved to approve Resolution #05-248. **COMMISSIONER GRAHAM** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business, the Commissioners' public meeting was adjourned at 8:06 a.m. on Wednesday, August 24, 2005. The next public meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2005.

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ATTEST:	Dennis Hadaller, Chairman of the Board
Karisa Duffey, Clerk of the Board Lewis County Commissioners	Richard Graham, Commissioner
	Eric Johnson, Commissioner